



## Stand for TAFF!

The 2020 TAFF (Trans-Atlantic Fan Fund) Race is now officially open for nominations!

Looking at future Worldcons and Worldcon bids, we, the administrators, have decided that it makes the most sense to run a second consecutive eastbound race, to increase the chances that as many as possible of the following TAFF races will go to a Worldcon.

Thus, we ask all good and worthy fans who want to stand for TAFF to step forward for a West to East (North America to Europe) race. The nomination period will close on October 31, 2019, and then voting to elect said TAFF delegate will commence four days later on November 4, 2019 and close on January 12, 2020. The winning delegate will attend Concentric: Eastercon 2020, in Birmingham, UK, ([www.concentric2020.uk](http://www.concentric2020.uk)) from April 10 to April 13, 2020, and shall assume the duties of the next North American administrator of TAFF upon returning home.

**Note:** When counting the votes, if there are more than three candidates, we will not apply the "20% rule" until the candidates with the fewest votes have been eliminated and there are just three candidates left.

If any North American fan is considering standing for the 2020 TAFF race, now is the time to line up your nominators and have them contact the administrators informing them of the nominators' intentions. This year candidates will need three North American fans and two European fans known to the Administrators to nominate you: these people must contact the current Administrators by October 31, 2019, informing them of whom is being nominated for this distinct honour. Potential delegates will also need to send an official statement of standing for TAFF to the administrators (contact information provided below) listing their nominators, plus a 101 word platform statement, and a \$20 (USD) bond fee sent via PayPal to [TAFF@toad-hall.com](mailto:TAFF@toad-hall.com). Again, the official nominating period will close on October 31, 2019.

More details about TAFF can be found at David Langford's excellent website, [taff.org.uk](http://taff.org.uk). If you are interested in standing for the 2020 TAFF Race or would like to nominate some deserving fan, please contact the North American Administrator, Geri Sullivan, at [TAFF@toad-hall.com](mailto:TAFF@toad-hall.com) or Johan Anglemark, the European Administrator, at [EUTAFF@gmail.com](mailto:EUTAFF@gmail.com).

Good luck, and we look forward to this being a fun and energetic TAFF race!

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